

**TOWN OF BASS LAKE
SAWYER COUNTY
PLANNING COMMITTEE
Thursday, February 3, 2005**

MINUTES

Chairman, Phil Nies, called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM. Members present: Nancy Albertin, Helen Chevrier, Frank Gowan, Russ Iverson and Phil Nies. Standing Citizen Committee member Ted Schwenker was present. A motion was made by Gowan, seconded by Iverson, to approve the agenda. Motion carried. Correspondence is postponed until later in the meeting. The minutes of the previous meeting were read. Iverson motioned to approve the minutes as read. Gowan seconded. Motion carried.

ZONING:

Nies reported that the Sawyer County Zoning Board of Appeal approved the application by FAS Properties for a 36 foot setback to wetlands, over the Town Board's objection. The Finding of Fact was opposite to the town's findings.

a. Rezone - G. Naegeli has applied for rezone from F1 to RR1 and a conditional use permit for the establishment of a Beauty Salon. Property is on County K in Northwoods Beach. Application had been discussed at an earlier meeting. Discussion followed. Motion made a by Chevrier, seconded by Iverson, to approve the application.

b. F. Maki has withdrawn the application of a change from F1 to RR1.

c. Text Amendment – Parks and churches. Nies reported that the County is proposing that “public and private parks, play grounds and water sports areas” and “churches” be allowed in RR-1 and RR-2 zone districts with a Conditional Use Permit and that “cemeteries and mausoleums” in Ag-1 and Ag-2 would require a Conditional Use Permit. Motion made by Chevrier, seconded by Gowan, to recommend approval to the Town Board.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. LAND USE ORDINANCE–Nies reported that the public hearing will be continued by the Sawyer County Zoning Committee on Feb. 18th for follow-up of the proposed changes.

2. PARK COMMITTEE-

a) Grindstone Lake park. Iverson reported on the progress in obtaining bids for the grant application. Bids received so far include \$12,000 for the pavilion and \$11,500 for the pre-cast bathrooms. Discussion followed. Names for the park will be considered at the next meeting.

b) Town Hall park. No new information at present. Discussion followed. Nies will appear before the County Board to see if the Town can obtain several more parcels across for the park.

3. NORTHWOODS BEACH ZONE DISTRICT -Nies reported on latest information on the district proposal. The district will be from Grindstone Creek to Indian Drive and from lake to lake. Section 2.0 includes provision for antique, collector and parts vehicles. Members of the community, M. Eby, L. Peterson, S. Hammerel, G. Baumgart and D. Hammerel, spoke about the provision in state statutes for Antique, Collector, Hobby and Parts Vehicles and their storage. D. Brueggen requested that a provision be made for junk vehicles. Discussion followed. Nies reported that the Town can be just as, or more, restrictive than state statutes. Summary includes provision that vehicles be garaged, fenced or screened from public view and that current state statutes be enforced. Further discussion ensued. N. Grothe urged compliance with statutes or to consider confiscation of vehicles, if needed. Nies will work up proposed wording for

collector vehicles. Section B to include provision for a home based business. Section C to be worked up by Nies. Any unlicensed vehicles are to be screened from public view. County ordinances allow not more than 12 vehicles. D. Grothe requested provision for nuisance driven problems. Section D to include road setbacks as listed. Discussion followed.

4. TOWN BUILDING PERMITS –Bill Hise was not present. The matter is tabled until the next meeting.

5. PARK NAMES–A number of names have been submitted by the community. A list will be presented at the next meeting. Further discussion followed about the proposed LCO park and other town owned properties.

6. TERMS OF OFFICE – Town ordinance required that Nies should have been appointed for a 3 year term instead of 1 year. Discussion followed. Chevrier will work up a new set of office terms and present at the next meeting.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. OUTDOOR BURNING ORDINANCE-Sawyer County has redone the ordinance. A workshop will be held in Duluth on March 4th if anyone wants to attend. The Town will wait for the County to take action.

2. WATER EXHIBITION ORDINANCE –The Town Board is considering some changes to the ordinance. These include provisions that applications must be in by March 1st to receive equal consideration and the Board may have the freedom to add extra events. Discussion followed.

The next meeting is March 3rd at 6:30 PM. Chevrier moved the meeting be adjourned, seconded by Albertin. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:35 PM.

Respectfully submitted by Helen Chevrier, Secretary.

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